

Senate Resolution 1119

By: Senators Staton of the 18th and Brown of the 26th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Museum of Arts and Sciences in Macon on its 50th
2 Anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Museum of Arts and Sciences in Macon was established in 1956 and has
4 long been recognized for its service to a regional audience of all ages and interests and as a
5 community resource for lifelong learning and enrichment which seeks to engage its visitors,
6 evoke wonder, stimulate curiosity, and open minds to new worlds of discovery; and

7 WHEREAS, the Museum of Arts and Sciences hosts upwards of 100,000 visitors each year,
8 25,000 of whom are school children from 50 central Georgia counties; and

9 WHEREAS, the Museum of Arts and Sciences occupies a modern 45,000 square foot brick
10 building on 14 acres of wooded land in midtown Macon which includes a lobby, museum
11 store, four galleries with changing exhibits, a 118 seat planetarium, the Discovery House and
12 Back Yard, a classroom, an independently climatized collection storage vault, a 149 seat
13 auditorium, office space, and staff work areas; and

14 WHEREAS, on the grounds of the Museum of Arts and Sciences are an early twentieth
15 century cabin used by Macon author Harry Stillwell Edwards, a caboose, an observatory, and
16 picnic grounds and nature trails; and

17 WHEREAS, the Museum of Arts and Sciences is Georgia's largest institution devoted to the
18 arts and sciences; and

19 WHEREAS, the exemplary work of this fine institution is worthy of recognition and
20 commendation as it celebrates its 50th Anniversary.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 recognize and commend the Museum of Arts and Sciences in Macon for its outstanding work
3 in educating and enriching the lives of the citizens of this state for 50 years.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Museum of Arts and Sciences.